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NASA Visitor Center Events Scheduled for November

November 4 -- Model Rocket Launch

A model rocket launch will be held at 1 p.m. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

November 25 -- Star Party

1 p.m. -- "Stars in the Sky". Children will create star posters and learn how to recognize some of the better-known constellations. Parents are encouraged to attend this 30-minute program.

3 p.m. -- "Our Star the Sun". The Sun is approaching solar max and the number of sunspots is increasing. Take a peek through the Visitor Center telescope and find out how many sunspots are visible. The telescope is equipped with a solar filter allowing safe viewing of the Sun.

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. -- "Evening Sky". Watch the stars become visible as the Sun sets. Find the circumpolar constellations and get a closer view of stars and planets through the Visitor Center telescope. If you have your own telescope, bring it along! The event will be canceled if it is raining or overcast skies.

Teachers: Ask for a Space Science educator packet. They are available while supplies last.

Saturdays and Sundays -- Puppets in Space

Puppets in Space is a 10-minute puppet show presented at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight and the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmites" follows the puppet show.

Sundays -- Humans in Space

Humans in Space is a 30-minute program presented at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Learn what it's like to live and work in space including a review of what the astronauts eat and what their wardrobes are in space. The program is followed by a hands-on activity to create a "space helmet".

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Daily -- Space Ace

Children 5 to 10 years old can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph any day they come to the Visitor Center by completing an activity sheet.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, VA. Admission to the Visitor Center and all programs is free. For further information, call (757) 824-2298.

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